

MADISON TALKS OF LA FOLLETTE

Opinion Is That Lenroot May Hurt His Chances
For Having State Delegation.

DAVIDSON'S FRIENDS ARE NOW BUSY

Feel Slight Has Been Placed Upon Him--La Follette To
Come To State To Straighten Out The
Tangle He Is In.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Madison, Wis., Dec. 27.—If Robert M. La Follette ever had any chance of gaining the nomination for the presidency in the next national republican convention, that chance has been destroyed by the "barren" political methods adopted by the senior senator and his associates in the failure of the La Follette movement to meet with the expected enthusiasm in this state and because of the alarming probability of the movement in favor of electing Wisconsin delegates for Secretary of War Taft, Senator La Follette is said to be approaching this state on a hurry-up trip for the purpose of personally advising on the situation.

The most disastrous incident of the La Follette presidential movement has been the unofficial announcement that Irvine L. Lenroot of Superior, former speaker and defeated candidate, would be one of the La Follette candidates for delegates-at-large. This suggestion has met with a storm of disapproval, strongest in the immediate ranks of the La Follette faction and among shortly information, is forthcoming to the effect that Lenroot will not be on the La Follette slate. It is the judgment of political judges at the capital city that La Follette will not get the endorsement of his home state in the national convention.

This opinion is expressed by men who for a generation have been identified with the political fortunes of La Follette. Some of them swing off when La Follette attempted to "turn down" Governor Davidson, but all were agreeable to the proposal that Wisconsin send a solid La Follette delegation to the national convention. Now they absolutely refuse to swallow the proposal that an incident of the Wisconsin support of La Follette be the re-establishment of the utterly discredited and defeated Lenroot. This suggestion is taken as strong corroborative evidence of the charge only made that the La Follette presidential boom was not sincerely a bid for the presidential nomination, but an attempt to work a "favorite son" game the stake of which was to be the restoration of political credit to some discredited La Follette followers and control the politics of Wisconsin.

This was and is in fact the case. The more certain the view of the fact that immediately upon the first suggestion of the presidential possibility of Senator La Follette, Governor Davidson frankly declared that he would be in favor of the plan and that the sending of a La Follette delegation to the national convention would be pleasing to him. This really unequal for magnanimity by the victor in the last Wisconsin campaign was looked upon as a most inviting opportunity for the senator to come into friendship with the governor. "How nicely," it is remarked, "could La Follette, if he were sincerely looking for a presidential nomination, have then thanked the governor for his interest and have asked him to stand as one of the La Follette delegates at large to the national convention?"

It is also remarked that there was presented a splendid opportunity for La Follette to acknowledge an error of judgment in opposing Davidson a year ago last summer and of assuring Davidson of his acquiescence in the usual courtesy of a renomination for governor. It is well known that Governor Davidson is planning to accept a renomination, but desires no fight for it. He would rather not stand for another term if it involved the necessity of a hard and expensive campaign. He will, however, be a

fighting candidate if the La Follette bunch attempts to put up an opposition candidate. The La Follette crowd made a fight ungraciously upon Davidson in 1906 and will get another fight if they challenge in 1908. If La Follette insists upon or allows Lenroot to be a candidate for delegates-at-large it must necessarily be taken as a challenge to the governor, and he will be compelled, as political observers recognize, to take up the gauntlet and fight.

It is said not to be yet too late for La Follette to show that his purpose is sincerely to make a try for the presidential nomination rather than to resurrect some political "dead" ones in Wisconsin, and propose that Governor Davidson lead the Wisconsin delegation to the national convention. It is suggested that the same delegation which was turned out of the last national convention, with the exception of the substitution of Governor Davidson for La Follette, would be one calculated not only to bring harmony in Wisconsin, but to bring the most effective results in the national convention with respect to the aspirations of La Follette. This unsent delegation consisted of La Follette, Stephenson, Connor and Senator Stout. La Follette could gracefully give way to Governor Davidson, in view of the fact that La Follette is a candidate himself for the presidential nomination and it is usual for candidates to round up votes. To send this delegation would show that La Follette is not seeking a third feeling against Davidson nor Connor. It is certainly appropriate that the governor of the state and the chairman of the state central committee go to represent the state in the national convention, and the appropriateness of Senator Stephenson being there is more pronounced now than it was four years ago when the "sage of Marietta" was only the financial prop of the La Follette organ.

This delegation would also be a kind of vindication of the delegation which was denied admission to the past national convention. In sending this delegation there would be no suggestion of humiliation to La Follette, but few entertain a hope that La Follette would accept such an adjustment. He will fight for Lenroot and against Governor Davidson and Chairman Connor. And this will inevitably force opposition to the whole La Follette presidential movement and drive the opposition, which is most powerful, into the Taft movement. What an enormous power there lies in such a forced opposition easily suggests itself. Think of the attraction there would be in a state of the opposition for delegates-at-large.

How easily Connor, who is looking up as a senatorial candidate for Stephenson's seat, could make a deal with that old man, in whose confidence Connor stands particularly high since handling the La Follette matter, could last spring. Let Connor assure Stephenson of his support for election for full term, something on which the old man is fondly doing. Let them select a strong congressman from up the state, say John J. Bach of Janesville in Lenroot's district, and then they would have a delegation at large of United States Senator Stephenson, Governor Davidson, State Chairman Connor and a strong congressman. It's dollars to doughnuts that La Follette's quartette of himself, Cooper, Lenroot and another would be whipped to a frazzle. This is the line of political game at the seat of state government, where gossip naturally is voluminous, but it seems plausible. It's up to La Follette to drop Lenroot and let everybody know it, too.

THREE KILLED; MANY OTHERS ARE INJURED

Pennsylvania Trains Collide Near
Camden, New Jersey--Many
Hurt by Accident.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Camden, N. J., Dec. 27.—Three persons were killed and more than a dozen others injured in a rear-end collision on the elevated tracks of the Pennsylvania railroad today a short distance from the station in this city. The cars were so badly smashed it will be several hours before the exact number of persons caught in the wreck will be known. Fire added to the difficulties of the work of rescue.

Fire Alarm Turned In: The fire department was called out this morning about eight-thirty to answer an alarm turned in from the home of Charles Francis, 21 Milwaukee avenue. A stovepipe running through the floor had become overheated and set the floor on fire. The blaze was quickly put out with the chemicals with only nominal damage.

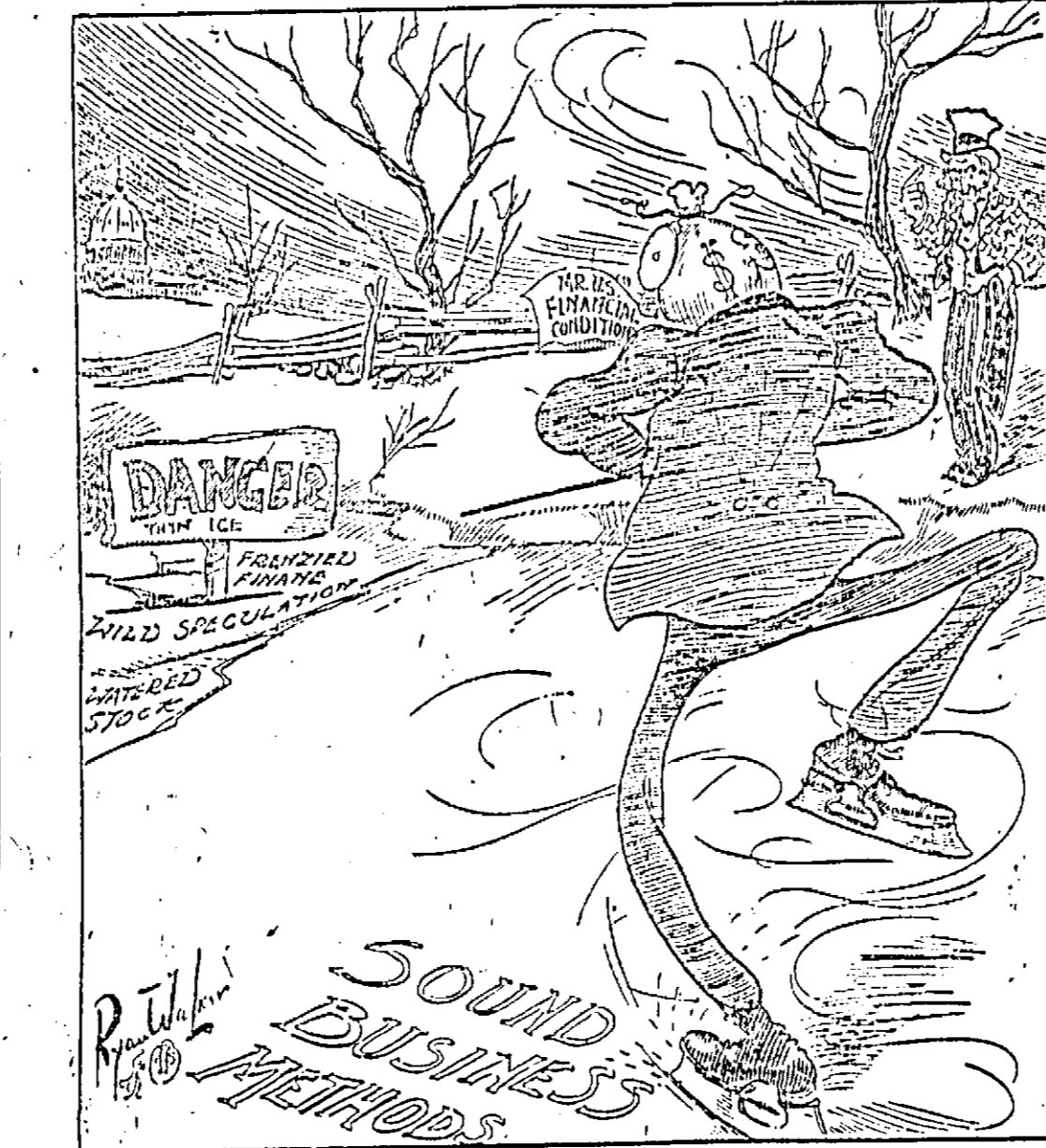
JOIN ISSUE FOR A BASEBALL WARFARE

National Unethical Commission and National Association Ready
For Contest.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Cincinnati, O., Dec. 27.—The issue between the National Unethical Commission and the National Association of Minor Leagues was joined when the National Commission announced its decision awarding to Cincinnati the National League Club Pitcher Cyphus, one of the players who had been declared blacklisted at the meeting of the National Association in New York last month.

BRING MANY BODIES UP TO THE SURFACE

One Hundred and Fifty Bodies Had
Been Drought Up by Nine
O'clock This Morning.
[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Jacobus Creek, Pa., Dec. 27.—Up to nine o'clock today 152 bodies had been recovered from the Darr mine.



Uncle Sam—Keep on the sound ice, my boy, and don't get reckless in your excitement and get to skating on that thin business again.

DELEGATES DISCUSS COLLEGE ATHLETES

Intercollegiate Association Holds Annual Meeting in New York
This Evening.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
New York, Dec. 27.—Delegates are arriving from all directions to attend the annual meeting of the Intercollegiate Association of the United States to be held at the Murray Hill Hotel tonight. The meeting will be an important hearing on any changes that may be made in the football rules, such as the abandonment of the forward pass, and other measures that have been suggested since the recent closing of the playing season. Seven of the fourteen members of the football rules committee are to be named at the meeting. It is expected that the succession of Joshua Crane in place of W. L. Reid, Jr., as Harvard's representative will be the only change in the personnel of the committee.

A number of other topics in addition to football are to be discussed at the meeting. Among them are "Summer Baseball," "Amateurism," "The Length of Schedules of Intercollegiate Athletic Contests," and "The Function of Athletic Sports in College and University Life."

TAFT IS FAVORED BY KANSAS RUMORS

Republican State Committee May
Declare For Taft at Their Meeting
Which is Called for Tomorrow.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Topeka, Kan., Dec. 27.—According to political rumors there is a strong probability that the republican state committee of Kansas, following the example set by the Missouri committee last week, may come out in a declaration for Taft for the presidency when it meets here tomorrow. Chairman J. T. Moore has called the committee to assemble for the purpose of fixing the time and place for holding the state convention to name delegates-at-large to the republican national convention. Settlement of far-reaching issues to be taken early convention, and it will probably be called for late in March or early in April.

ROBBERS SHOT BY A PLUCKY MARSHAL

Smithboro the Scene of Shooting Affray This Morning Following a Robbery.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Smithboro, Ill., Dec. 27.—In a pistol battle following a robbery at Vandalla passenger depot at Smithboro early today, one of the two robbers was shot five times by Emory Brown, city marshal of Sorento, Ill., and wounded twice. Both men are reported in a serious condition.

FORM ORGANIZATION TO STUDY CRIMES

Meet at Indianapolis to Form Society
to Oppose Capital Punishment
and Study Crime.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Indianapolis, Ind., Dec. 27.—A well attended meeting was held at the State House in this city today to form a state organization for the purposes of studying crime and methods of preventing it and to distribute literature in aid of the movement to abolish capital punishment.

RECOUNT OF VOTES BEGINS IN CHICAGO

Recount Begun to Settle Charges
Made by District Attorney
F. L. Barnett.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—A recount was begun today of the ballots cast at the municipal election in November, 1906, to determine whether or not Assistant District Attorney F. L. Barnett, colored, is entitled to a place on the bench occupied by Judge Thomas B. Lantry. In his petition for a recount Barnett charged that the count of ballots in 11 precincts was fraudulently and erroneously made.

HISTORICAL SOCIETY IN ANNUAL MEETING

Wisconsin State Historical Society
Holds Twenty-third Annual Meeting at Madison.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Madison, Wis., Dec. 27.—The American Historical Association began its twenty-third annual meeting at the University of Wisconsin today with an attendance representing many of the leading educational institutions and historical societies throughout the country. The program for the gathering covers four days.

MISSIONS IN CUBA TO BE INSPECTED

Baptist Ministers and Laymen Go to
Cuba to Inspect Work of Missionary Society There.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
New York, Dec. 27.—A large party of Baptist ministers and laymen, under escort of Dr. Howard B. Gross, took passage today for Havana for Havana for the purpose of inspecting the work of the Baptist Mission Society in Cuba. The party will visit Santiago, Camaguey, Santa Clara, Matanzas and Havana.

GOLF TOURNEY AT PINCHURST BEGINS

Annual Holiday Golf Tournament of
the Pinchurst Country Club
Begins Today.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Pinchurst, N. C., Dec. 27.—The annual holiday golf tournament of the Pinchurst Country Club opened today under most favorable auspices. The participants include many of the foremost players of the country. The tournament will be the last important event on the links here until the eighth annual United North and South amateur championship takes place in March.

ADMIRAL BROWNSON IS OFFICIALLY OUT

Order Removing Him From His Official Position is Issued Today.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Washington, D. C., Dec. 27.—The formal order dated Dec. 26 detaching Rear Admiral W. H. Brownson from duty as chief of the bureau of navigation of the department was made public today at the navy department. The same order detaches him from his membership in the joint navy and army board. Commander Brownson continues to act as head of the bureau.

WILL DISCUSS NEW TEAM FOR CHICAGO

Business Meeting of the American Association Will Decide Whether
Chicago Gets a Team.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 27.—Whether or not the American association will begin war on organized baseball probably will be definitely decided at the association's annual business meeting here tomorrow. The subject of placing a club in Chicago will be the all-important topic at the meeting, and as several of the club owners are said to be a little afraid to begin a fight against the two major leagues, there is sure to be some pretty lively discussion at the meeting. According to the best information obtainable all the club owners are in favor of coming into Chicago, but several of the more conservative are opposed to making the invasion unless the consent of the National and American leagues can be obtained.

POULTRY EXHIBITION OPENS IN TORONTO

Annual Show of Toronto Poultry Association Opened Today With
Large Number of Entries.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Toronto, Ont., Dec. 27.—The annual show of the Toronto Poultry Association opened today with a record-breaking number of entries. Included among the exhibits are prize-winning turkeys, chickens, ducks, pheasants, and other varieties of poultry and pot stock from many parts of Canada.

ARCHITECTS BEGIN ANNUAL MEETINGS

North Carolina Architectural Association Will Discuss Topics of
Professional Interest.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Charlotte, N. C., Dec. 27.—A convention of the North Carolina Architectural Association began here today and will continue over tomorrow. A variety of topics of interest to the profession will be discussed. The president of the association is C. C. Hook and the secretary, Franklin Gordon, both of this city.

CONVICTED MURDERER CUT HIS OWN THROAT

Man Found Guilty of Killing Wealthy
Mine-Owner Ends His
Own Life.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Des Moines, Dec. 27.—J. C. Cain, the convicted murderer of Charles H. Morris, a wealthy mine-owner, committed suicide by cutting his throat with a razor which he had smuggled into the jail today.

FIVE WERE BURNED IN BURNING HOUSE

Entire Family Wiped Out by Blaze at
Watertown, Mass. This
Morning Early.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Borton, Mass., Dec. 27.—John Clark, his wife and three children were burned to death in a fire which destroyed their home at Watertown, a suburb, early today.

MODERN ST. ANTHONY SUES HIS WEALTHY GIRL COUSIN

Claims She Tempted Him And He Fell--Sensational Suit Which Comes Up In
New York.

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]

New York, Dec. 27.—One of the most sensational trials in the history of New York is expected shortly, when the suit for \$100,000 damages brought by H. Frank Dragan against Mrs. Emily F. Murphy comes up in court. Dragan alleges that Mrs. Murphy, who is his cousin, committed an assault upon him in one of New York's fashionable hotels. Because of the prominence of the parties and the remarkable charges mentioned in the bill, the case has attracted widespread interest.

Young Dragan, who is but twenty-seven years old, was until last year a member of the Jesuit brotherhood. The defendant is the wife of John J. Murphy, a wealthy lumber merchant of Yonkers, N. Y., and is noted for her beauty.

Until December 1 of last year, the date on which he alleges the assault was committed, Dragan was a teacher in St. Francis Xavier College, of this city, where he was preparing to become a Jesuit priest, but as a result of the affair he was expelled from the school and is now out of the order altogether.

Dragan boldly charges that the assault made upon him at the Hotel Ansonia was the result of his cousin's mad infatuation for him and that by reason thereof he has suffered great physical and mental pain, distress and anguish, has been deprived of his vocation, has suffered great humiliation and loss of friends, that his reputation has been injured and that he has been otherwise damaged.

The young man charges that his cousin, who was then Emily Barrett, loved him madly and that she used to travel from New York to Baltimore, where he then lived, in order to see him. He asserts that the girl expressed regret at his entering the religious order, and often declared her intention of marrying him. Among other things, he says that while he pursued his studies at Woodstock College

he the girl attempted to pay frequent visits, but was prevented from doing so, and that when he came to New York his pretty cousin again became persistent and often visited Xavier college in this city.

In the sworn statement filed by the plaintiff are other details relating to visits and meetings between the couple, and many times reference is made to midnight suppers at restaurants where members of a religious order were seldom seen. For some time, the bill states, these suppers continued, and the relations between the two finally terminated in an episode at the fashionable Hotel Ansonia, which the plaintiff swears made him unfit to pursue his studies for the priesthood longer.

Dragan further asserts that shortly after the incident at the hotel he was tortured so by his conscience that he became desperately ill and was compelled to go to a hospital for treatment, getting leave of absence by notifying the Jesuit fathers that he was unable to pursue his studies. At the hospital he said that his cousin invaded her attention upon him, and later he was removed to the girl's home, where he remained until the young woman's father ordered him out of the house. In the meantime, it is said, the Jesuit fathers heard of Dragan's relations with the girl and served a notice of dismission upon him. Later, he declares, he became estranged from Mrs. Murphy, and all efforts to renew friendship with her failed. The suit followed.

In her answer to the suit Mrs. Murphy makes an absolute denial of all the allegations mentioned in the complaint. Among other things, she states that she now has in her possession more than 200 letters written by the plaintiff. Reference is also made in the answer to several incidents that took place in a boarding house on Broadway, early this year, which to some extent showed plainly, according to the defendant, that her cousin was not acting like a sane man should.

CATHOLIC SCHOOL'S SAD MERRYMAKING

Two Pupils Burned to Death and Several Others Were Severely
Burned.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Winamac, Ind., Dec. 27.—The Roman Catholic school at Monterey caught fire last night during the rehearsal of a play by the children and Clara Kames and Margaret Fox, pupils, were burned to death and several other children were burned.

SALOON TEST CASE DECIDED ADVERSELY

Jury Decides Thomas Chamales Was
Not Guilty of Breaking
the Law.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Chicago, Dec. 27.—The jury in the case of Thomas Chamales, the first moonshiner to be placed on trial for the violation of the Sunday closing law, today returned a verdict of not guilty. This was the second trial of Chamales, the first jury having disagreed.

FORMER TREASURER DIES VERY SUDDENLY

Henry Wulff, Who Recently Was Released from Prison, Passes
Away in Chicago.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Chicago, Dec. 27.—Henry Wulff, former treasurer of the state of Illinois and once a prominent politician here, died here today. Wulff was recently released from the house of correction where he served a sentence of two years for violation of the post office laws.

FRATERNITY HOUSE BURNED TO GROUND

Delta Tau Delta House at Champaign
Burned to the Ground
Today.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Champaign, Ill., Dec. 27.—The Delta Tau Delta fraternity house at the University of Illinois was burned early today. Percy Barker of Rockford, Ill., the only occupant of the building was rescued by firemen.

DISCOVERED FUMES IN NICK OF TIME

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Mantoloking, Wis., Dec. 27.—Fred Althoff, editor of the Two Rivers Reporter, awoke at 9 o'clock yesterday morning just in time to save his family from death by gas fumes. Althoff awoke with a terrible headache and found it almost impossible to leave his bed but noting the unusual odor in the room, he crawled to the door and opened it. This no doubt saving the lives of his wife and five children. A developed that someone was repairing a chimney, and closed the opening with mortar and the gas could not escape.

Buy it in Janesville.

GILBERTSON TRIAL TAKES A NEW PHASE

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
La Crosse, Wis., Dec. 27.—An entirely new action has been started by the attorneys for the creditors of Louis Gilbertson, the bankrupt of La Crosse, when they petitioned the court that the contempt proceedings now pending against him in the federal court at Madison, be dismissed. A petition will be made to set aside the former order made by Judge Sanborn dismissing the bankrupt on the ground that the order was obtained through fraud and perjury and on the further ground of newly discovered evidence and asking that Mr. Gilbertson be committed for contempt for failure to heed the previous order requiring him to pay over the sum of \$1,000 to his creditors. The case against Mr. Gilbertson was re-opened upon the alleged finding of \$5,500 which he had secreted in a safety deposit vault in Chicago.

EXPLAINS WRECK OF THE STEAMER CYPRUS

[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Milwaukee, Wis., Dec. 27.—Charles J. Pitz of this city, who is the sole survivor of the wreck of the steamer Cyprus, the greatest wreck of the marine season, is here from Milwaukee, where he is employed as a watchman on a steamer there in winter quarters. Pitz refuted his statement that the loss of the Cyprus was due to the shifting of the cargo and the fact that the boat was not headed into the sea. He recited, in graphic manner, the story of his night vigil on a life raft from which four companions were finally swept to their death when the raft was within 300 feet of the shore. Pitz returns to Milwaukee today.

BANK ROBBERS WERE FOUGHT BY CITIZENS

Bank of Camden Robbed by Three
Men Who Secure Much Cur-
rency and Escape.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Camden Point, Mo., Dec. 27.—The Bank of Camden Point was robbed by three men early today and four thousand dollars in currency taken. A fierce battle between citizens and robbers took place and many shots were fired, but the robbers escaped. The robbers were captured this morning and have been jailed at Platte City. The loot amounted to \$2,500.

SETTLED SUITS FOR DAMAGES IN WRECK

Forty-three Damage Suits Against
Central Illinois Traction
Company.

[BY ASSOCIATED PRESS.]
Charlottesville, Ill., Dec. 27.—Forty-three damage suits against the Central Illinois Traction company on account of the wreck on the road in September were settled today for \$11,000. On account of these damage suits a receiver was named for the road and several directors of the road indicted.

GOT HIS HAIR BACK.

Bound to Get There.
 "I don't know whether to make a doctor or a lawyer of John," said the old man. "I've got a lawsuit to be settled and I've got to be cut off, so I suppose I can't miss it far either way."

Buy It In Jannville.

WALTER C. AMMON.

The presidential boom of Governor Hughes of New York city has hit the neighboring commonwealth of New Jersey. The principal promoter, is Walter Ammon, a well known Jersey City man. Mr. Ammon says: "This is the time to organize a boom for Hughes and I am one of the many who believe Roosevelt should not be re-elected. We will start missionary work to elect a man like Hughes, who is not given to reckless rule or ruinous policies."

These New Jersey enthusiasts have one very forceful mode of campaigning. They are rearranging the business stationery of the big firms which are in sympathy with their propaganda. On business envelopes they are taking the business cards off the upper left hand corner and putting it on the opposite, substituting on the front of the envelope this sentence: "Extracts from speeches of the man whom I should be our next president." This is all the envelope says and it nature

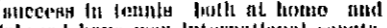
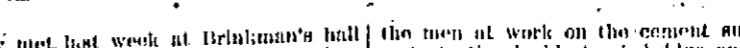
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the society. The parents are invited to be present at the entertainment at the Guild house at 7:30 tonight. Admission free. A good time for everybody.

Buy it in Janesville.

B. B. Baker - - - Manager.
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It is believed that in China there are 20 times as much coal as in all Europe.



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WISCONSIN WEATHER FORECAST

Partly cloudy and colder tonight and Saturday.

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J. H. BLISS, Business Mgr.

Subscribed and sworn to before me this 2nd day of December, 1907.

JENNIE L. KENDALL, Notary Public.

(Seal) My commission expires Feb. 11, 1911.

WHAT OF THE FUTURE

It is always difficult to penetrate very far into the future, and yet it is wise at this season of the year, and especially at the close of this year, to look the immediate future squarely in the face.

The past few years have been exceptionally noted for prosperity and about the only planning necessary for the future was to see that stocks were complete. Labor has found no occasion to worry for employment has been abundant and wages far above the average.

Today, however, conditions have changed. There is a shift in the nation October 23, like a shift of lightning from a clear sky, a sign of warning, which increased in volume as time advanced, until, like a slow rolling pool of thunder, it broke into a deluge of trouble and collapse, and plunging terror and dismay to many hearts.

A full-fledged panic was on before anyone was aware of it, and it possessed so many vital features, that time was necessary to grasp its significance, which is not yet fully apprehended.

The storm had been gathering for many months, yet it was recognized it, and when the banks of the nation simultaneously found themselves unable to meet the strain, and were compelled to adopt heroic measures for private as well as public protection, the people stood aghast, unable to comprehend the situation.

Everybody thought, that the disturbance was only temporary, and that in a few days normal conditions would be restored, but two months have passed, and still we are not out of the woods.

It is useless to discuss the cause of this unusual panic, it was the culmination of various causes, due to over-prosperity. The question of supreme importance, now, that it is upon us, is how to meet it, and the most speedy recovery from the situation.

The annual inventory, which will occur in the industrial and commercial world, during the next ten days, will disclose many interesting facts, and will determine, to large extent, the policy to be pursued in the near future.

It will be found, as a rule, that ambition to keep up with the procession, has been the prevailing ambition. Thus, as has come so easy, and orders have piled up so freely, that every dollar in capital has been employed and credit strained to the breaking point.

Expenses have kept pace, and nothing in the way of saving and equipment, has been considered. Mills and factories have been running overtime, and the demand for goods, at constantly advancing prices, knew no limit.

The volume of business increased far beyond the increase of capital, and the expansion of credit knew no limit, but a change has come over the scene.

Furnace fires have been drawn, factory wheels are silent, while the unemployed seek in vain for work.

Balance sheets will show that while business has been good that expenses have been correspondingly heavy and assets which always dwindle in time of depression will be unable to look small by liabilities which never shrink.

It will be necessary to look into the future in planning the work of readjustment and legislation, for that is the work in which all businessmen

will be engaged, for some little time to come.

The panic was not caused in a moment, and recovery will require much time and patience.

The American people, however, are not easily discouraged. They possess energy and power of recuperation, in large degree. Stocks will be reduced, liabilities cancelled, and when business again assumes normal conditions, it will be on a sound and conservative basis.

In the meantime, many luxuries, which have been regarded necessities, will suffer, and the price of labor as well as the price of commodities, will decline.

The outlook for 1908 is favorable in many ways. The nation is rich in material wealth, and there is no over-production to cause stagnation.

An era of sanity has already been ushered in, and fundamental and important reform will appeal to empty pews.

The day of class distinction and class hatred, is a thing of the past, for common disaster has obliterated imaginary lines, causing people to touch elbows, as never before.

It is a time when every man should be a booster, for the land is unworked. The loss of confidence is the greatest loss from which the nation suffers, and this can only be restored by mutual effort.

There is a rumor in the air that friends of a certain S. A. Cook of Nevada, are hounding him for the United States senate. No statement is made as to what claims Mr. Cook possesses for preferment, for the reason undoubtedly that no such claim exists. It will be a harmless campaign, destitute of either fun or fireworks.

From all parts of the country comes the glad news that philanthropy and good cheer characterized the Christmas holiday. Santa Claus had an army of willing helpers who vied with each other in making the day joyous and happy for multitudes of suffering and unfortunate people. The world is not so bad as it seems, after all.

The democratic vote, in the next campaign, will be divided between Bryan and prohibition. With the brewers, distillers and demagogues all boasting the cause of temperance should receive an impetus never before experienced. The water wagon is the most popular vehicle in existence today.

The Taft boom in Wisconsin promises to take on proportions early in the new year. Many of the voters anticipate but little glory in supporting a favorite son who stands no chance of nomination, preferring to be in the race with a possible winner. Taft is a good man to tie to.

Robley D. Evans, commander of the Pacific fleet, sailed away full of courage and ready for any kind of a stunt that might be presented. The fleet tackled a Christmas dinner off the coast of Spain, on Christmas day, and from all accounts were victorious. The next engagement will be watched with interest.

Wall street is attempting to make out that Secretary Cortelyou is a great financier, by claiming that his three per cent bond issue was a game of bluff, to hold the Bank of England in line and present an advance to 8 per cent in interest. That is doubtless consoling to Cortelyou.

"Old Kentucky whiskey" is being rapidly changed to "no Kentucky whiskey," and the distillers of the old Bourbon state are in a dilemma. Kentucky needs a season of drought, as much as any state in the union.

"MAYOR OF BALTIMORE."

The new president of the League of American Municipalities is J. Harry Mahool, mayor of Baltimore. Mr. Mahool is a close student of municipal affairs. He believes, however, that the remedy for settling municipal difficulties and dishonesty is not in the institution of any particular form of government nor in the election of officers.

In any particular political field. On the contrary, Mr. Mahool summarizes his views as follows:

"An aroused public conscience and the participation in the public affairs of all the citizens will give the desired good results, which every form of government is adopted. Without indifference and lack of attention to the affairs of your city or state will bring inevitable ruin and degradation."

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THE SPORT WORLD.

FOOTBALL CAPTAINS.

Many Colleges Have Chosen Leaders For 1908 Elevens.

STEFFEN HEADS CHICAGO.

Hallenback Placed at Head of Penn Team, Walder at Cornell, Schultz at Michigan—The Carlisle Indians Pick Emil Wasosuka, a Guard.

Some of the big football teams have been chosen for 1908. The Penn team has chosen Hallenback as captain. The Cornell team has chosen Walder. The Michigan team has chosen Schultz. The Carlisle Indians have chosen Emil Wasosuka as guard.

Princeton had about the easiest task in selecting a captain of any of the big five. For quarterback Eddie Dillhoff will still be in the Tiger lineup next fall, and he was the only logical candidate for the position. The West Point soldiers held their election on the way home from the disastrous game with the navy, and Princeton, the army center, was their selection. The Carlisle Indians were another team which lost no time in picking a 1908 captain, and Emil Wasosuka, who played guard on this year's eleven, will succeed Captain Labe.

Pennsylvania, unanimously selected Hallenback, the best ground gather on the team.

Other big colleges are giving careful consideration to the great question.

The navy's most likely candidate would appear to be Lange, as Captain Douglas will leave the academy next spring, and next to him, the little quarterback of the middles made the best showing of the eleven throughout the season.

The elections of other colleges which have been held up to date have brought the following men to the captaincy of their respective teams:

Michigan, Schultz; Chicago, Steffen; Dartmouth, Kennedy; Swarthmore,



STEFFEN, NEW CAPTAIN CHICAGO UNIVERSITY ELEVEN.

O'Brien; Colgate, Whelan; Wesleyan, Hammond; Williams, Morse; Washington and Jefferson, Duffey; Phillips Exeter, Thomas; Lafayette, Chalmers; Springfield T. S. Briggs; Pennsylvania State, McClary; Army, Ferguson; New York University, Young; Oberlin, Hunter; St. John's, (Annapolis), Dwyer; Dickinson, Hurry.

George Henry Walder of North Tawawanda, N. Y., fullback of the Cornell football team for the past three years, was recently elected captain of the team who played in the Princeton and Pennsylvania games. The election was postponed for several weeks on account of the illness of Van Orman.

Walder made the varsity team as soon as he entered after four years' preparatory work on the North Tawawanda high school. He was played fullback for three years and is considered the greatest line plunger that Cornell has ever produced. As a punter he won a great reputation, and he is a powerful man in the secondary defense.

Owner Robison Has an Attack of Ideas.

Frank Robison, owner of the St. Louis Cardinals, is making a lot of suggestions which will never be adopted by the big league. He wants a double header scheduled for every Saturday, Sunday and holiday. This is directly against the views of nearly every other club owner. The crowds come out anyway on these days, and the double headers are reserved as extra attractions for off days.

Another scheme of Robison's is to pool all the players in the big leagues at the end of every three years and then divide them fairly among the first sixteen. Baseball club owners are too suspicious of one another ever to agree to such a proposition. They would all fear that there might be a "job" which would give some other club the best players. The proposition sounds good, but it will never work out. The next way for the players to be divided and split up to make the races uneven will be for a third major league to get into the game. Cities like Baltimore, Providence, Buff.

SPORTING FUTURES.

Important Events—When and Where They Take Place.

THE SKATE CHAMPIONSHIPS.

Contests For National and International Titles, Outdoor and Indoor. The Bowling Congress in Cincinnati. Florida Auto Racing.

BURNS' NEXT FIGHTS.

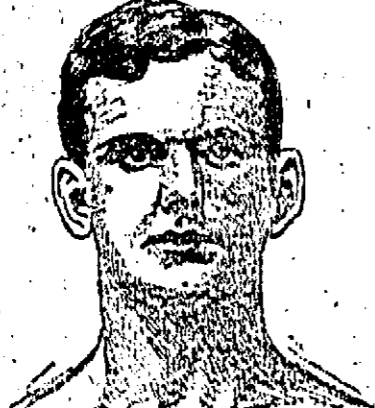
New World's Champion Dailies With English Second Raters.

MEETS JOHNSON LATER.

If Burns Does Not Call Off Projected Bout With Roche and Jack Palmer, He Will Win Fame as an Easy Money Hunter.

Tommy Burns has caused a deal of talk by his announcement that he would fight Jim Roche, the Irish heavyweight champion, and Jack Palmer, the English second rater, before returning to America to fight Jack Johnson.

Neither Roche nor Palmer is of any consequence in an account of stock of heavyweight championship material. Roche, the Irish, is heavyweight title



JIM ROCHE.

holder of Ireland, but he never yet defeated a first class man, and, according to American ring traditions, this flaw in his record lets him out. But Burns has his eye on big bunches of easy money, no doubt. Of course Burns does not think either Roche or Palmer has a chance to beat him, for a victory by either of them would put him out of the running for a match with Johnson for a purse of genuine championship size. James Coffey, the Irish promoter, has already offered \$20,000 for the Burns-Johnson match.

Jack Palmer of Newcastle-on-Tyne has deposited with Sporting Life \$2,500 in respect of each, only stipulating that the purse shall be at least \$2,500. The fight will probably take place before the National Sporting club of London the latter part of January.

Englishmen, despite the cool greeting they gave Burns after his fight with Moir, think the American champion a wonder and are very anxious to see him in action again.

"I will surely fight Roche if a suitable purse is hung up," said Burns, "and, while I suppose there is little chance of getting a side bet down, yet I have \$10,000 I am willing to wager against \$5,000 that I beat the Irish champion; I am also willing to bet \$10,000 even that I knock out Roche inside ten rounds."

Charley Hagley, the Lowell (Mass.) heavyweight, has received an offer from London, offering him a match with Jim Roche, the Irish champion. Hagley is well known in England, for he was over there in 1903. He boxed a number of prominent heavies of that country, among them Gunner Moir and Jack Palmer. The Lowell man will accept the London offer if the terms are satisfactory and he gets expenses.

Buy it in Janesville.

WILL NOT TREAT WITH UNION.

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BURNS' NEXT FIGHTS.

New World's Champion Dailies With English Second Raters.

MEETS JOHNSON LATER.

If Burns Does Not Call Off Projected Bout With Roche and Jack Palmer, He Will Win Fame as an Easy Money Hunter.

Tommy Burns has caused a deal of talk by his announcement that he would fight Jim Roche, the Irish heavyweight champion, and Jack Palmer, the English second rater, before returning to America to fight Jack Johnson.

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holder of Ireland, but he never yet defeated a first class man, and, according to American ring traditions, this flaw in his record lets him out. But Burns has his eye on big bunches of easy money, no doubt. Of course Burns does not think either Roche or Palmer has a chance to beat him, for a victory by either of them would put him out of the running for a match with Johnson for a purse of genuine championship size. James Coffey, the Irish promoter, has already offered \$20,000 for the Burns-Johnson match.

Jack Palmer of Newcastle-on-Tyne has deposited with Sporting Life \$2,500 in respect of each, only stipulating that the purse shall be at least \$2,500. The fight will probably take place before the National Sporting club of London the latter part of January.

Englishmen, despite the cool greeting they gave Burns after his fight with Moir, think the American champion a wonder and are very anxious to see him in action again.

"I will surely fight Roche if a suitable purse is hung up," said Burns, "and, while I suppose there is little chance of getting a side bet down, yet I have \$10,000 I am willing to wager against \$5,000 that I beat the Irish champion; I am also willing to bet \$10,000 even that I knock out Roche inside ten rounds."

Charley Hagley, the Lowell (Mass.) heavyweight, has received an offer from London, offering him a match with Jim Roche, the Irish champion. Hagley is well known in England, for he was over there in 1903. He boxed a number of prominent heavies of that country, among them Gunner Moir and Jack Palmer. The Lowell man will accept the London offer if the terms are satisfactory and he gets expenses.

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BOTH NEEDED PERSUASION.



The Smitten Swain—Will nothing move you?
The Obdurate Maid—Really, Mr. Smith, you talk as if I were a motor car.

SUFFERED.



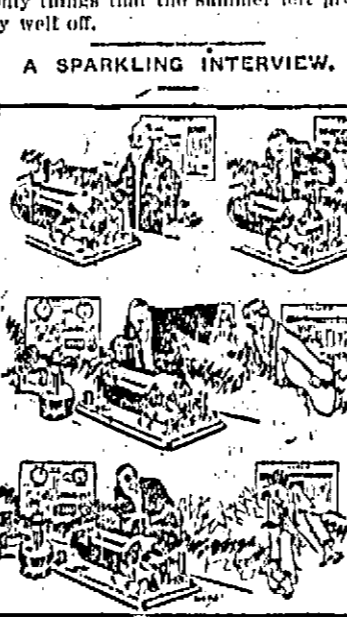
Mr. Jahber—I have had such a cold that I couldn't speak for four days.
Miss Knoke—My! How you must have suffered!

AN AUTUMN NOTE.



Horne—How merrily the leaves are dancing over the ground in the breeze!
Lorraine—Yes; they're about the only things that the summer left pretty well off.

A SPARKLING INTERVIEW.



A wireless tragedy with the man with a nose for news as a victim.

A SUBSTITUTE.



Miss Prettloigh—Dear me! Lost your hat when you went to the races? What did you do?

MAKING HIS WAY.



Wings—Education helps a man to make his way in the world.
Diggs—Yes, but there is no doubt that a little football experience helps him out of a crowded street car.

TWO ON JONES.



"What are you looking so happy over, old man?"
"I am rejoicing over the birth of twins."
"Great Scott! I congratulate you!"
"Don't congratulate me, go and congratulate Jones, he's the lucky man. I never did like him!"

-WHAT FATHER THOUGHT.



Mrs. Proud—What did you think of Myrtle's graduation essay?
Mr. Proud—Excellent. No one would think that Myrtle chewed gum and slapped her little brother, would they, dear?—Baltimore American.

REGRETS.



Bill—Yes, when a man's been in quod wanst, 'is name is mud ever after!
Freddie—True, true, Bill, time done cannot be undone.

PUZZLED HIM.



There once was a bride of Antiqua Who said to her spouse what a pig you are

STATUTE IS QUOTED BY LINE OFFICERS

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GIST OF NAVY DISPUTE

Right of Staff Officers to Command Questioned—Facts Concerning the Hospital Ship Relief.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Now that the legality of the president's proposed action in the matter of assigning a staff officer in the person of Surgeon Stokes to command the hospital ship Relief has been called in question, it is proper to state that the reference of the line officers is upon a provision in section 7 of the naval personnel act of March 3, 1899.

That section, among other things, was designed to clear up doubt that existed as to the right of a staff officer to assume the title of a line officer of a corresponding grade in the matter of pay and emoluments and length of service. Up to that date staff officers had enjoyed what was called "relative rank," with which they were not satisfied, so in section 7 the word "relative" was struck out so that all sections of the revised statutes which in defining the rank of officers or positions in the navy, containing the words the "relative rank" were amended so as to read "the rank of."

Provision is Qualified.
To this provision the following important qualification was attached: "But officers whose rank is so defined shall not be entitled, in virtue of their rank, to command in the line or in other staff corps."

Line officers understand this to mean that no surgeon or engineer (if there shall ever be again commissioned engineers) or paymaster or constructor shall be placed in a position on board ship where he may command movements and actions of any person not of his own staff corps.

The staff officers for their part hold that this act does not in any sense abridge any privilege or rank formerly enjoyed by a staff officer, and a joyful perusal of the act appears to justify the statement that this provision is open to controversy and that there is a reasonable ground for a difference of opinion as to the meaning of the law.

Case of the Relief.

It developed "Thursday" that a year ago when the Relief was put into commission, the decision was reached to assign a naval surgeon to command the vessel in the event that it were manned with a merchant crew and master. But in the event that the ship was manned with a naval crew, then a naval officer of the line would be assigned to the command. A naval surgeon in command would have absolute charge, just as a physician would exercise supervision of a hospital on land, without, however, interfering with the work of navigating the vessel. Surgeon Stokes will be assigned to the command of the Relief, if the crew and master are chosen from the merchant marine, which, while not finally decided, it is understood will be the case.

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"Yes, why?"

"I am recoiled to the shooting, then."

She laughed and started to flick her whip, but at her first motion the horse gave trouble.

"The bit doesn't fit," observed Steward.

"You are perfectly right," she returned, surprised. "I ought to have remembered. It is shameful to drive a horse improperly fitted. And after a moment: 'You are considerate toward animals. It is good in a man.'"

"Oh, it's no merit. When animals are uncomfortable it worries me. It's one sort of selfishness, you see."

"What nonsense!" she said, and her smile was very friendly. "Why doesn't a nice man ever admit he's nice when told so?"

It seems that he had advanced that far, for she was beginning to find this young man not only safe, but promising. She had met nobody recently less amusing, and the outlook at Shot-over House had been unpromising with only the overgrateful Page twins to practice on, the other men collectively and individually boring her.

And suddenly, welcome as a manna from the sky, behold this highly agreeable boy to play with—until Quarrier arrived! Her telegram had been addressed to Mr. Quarrier.

It was perhaps the reaction of her anxiety that recalled to her mind her telegram. The telegram had been her promised answer after she had had time to consider a suggestion made to her by a Mr. Howard Quarrier. The last week at Shot-over permitted reflection, and, while her telegram was no complete answer to the suggestion he had made, it contained material of interest in the eight words, "I will consider your request when you arrive."

"I wonder if you know Howard Quarrier," she said.

After a second's hesitation he replied: "Yes, a little. Everybody does."

"You do know him?"

"Only at the club."

"Oh, the Lenox?"

"The Lenox and the Patrons."

Preoccupied, driving with careless, almost inattentive, perfection, she

thought it of her twenty-three years, wondering how life could have passed so quickly, leaving her already stranded on the shoals of an engagement to marry Howard Quarrier. Then her thoughts, errant, wandered half the world over before they returned to Steward, and when at length they did, and meaning to be civil, she spoke again of his acquaintance with Quarrier, at the Patrons club, the club itself being sufficient to settle Steward's status in every community.

"I'm trying to remember what it is I have heard about you," she continued amiably. "You are—"

An odd expression in his eyes arrested her long enough to note their color and expression, and she continued pleasantly: "You are Stephen Steward, are you not? You see, I know your name perfectly well." Her straight brows contracted a trifle. She drove on, lips compressed, following

kind, self possession and reserve, if not inherent, had also been drilled into her, and she required a great deal in a man before she paid him the tribute of one of her pretty laughs.

Apparently they were advancing rather rapidly.

"Don't you think we ought to call the dog in, Mr. Steward?"

"Yes, he's had enough."

She drew rein. He sprang out and whistled, and the Sagamore pup, dusty and happy, came romping back. Steward motioned him to the runnel, but the dog leaped to the front.

"I don't mind," said the girl. "Let him sit here between us. And you might occupy yourself by pulling some of those hairs from his ears if you will."

"Of course I will. Look up here, puppy! No! Don't try to lick my face, for that is bad manners. Demonstrate as often as the foot says."

"It's always bad manners, isn't it?" asked Miss Landis.

"What—being affectionate?"

"Yes, and admitting it."

"I believe it is. Do you hear that, Sagamore? But, never mind; I'll break the rules some day when I'm alone."

The dog laid one paw on Steward's knee, looking him whistfully in the eyes.

"More demonstrations," observed the girl. "Mr. Steward, you are hugging him! This amounts to a dual conspiracy in bad manners."

"Awfully glad to admit you to the conspiracy," he said. "There's one viceroy—if you are eligible."

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SHE GIVES TO JUDGE HER LIFE'S HISTORY

Pleads Guilty to Trying to Kill Her Husband But Has Written Explanation.
Oshkosh, Wis., Dec. 27.—This morning in the municipal court Mrs. Martha Timmerman pleaded guilty to the charge of attempting to kill her divorced husband Fred Timmerman and the court took the matter of sentence under advisement until January 7th. Mrs. Timmerman's preliminary examination was set this morning and notwithstanding the objection of her attorneys she waived examination and asked to be bound over in order to plead guilty and as she said, "to have it over with." Mrs. Timmerman is totally deaf and it was necessary to put all questions to her in writing. She stated she tried to kill her husband but that he had driven her to it. She gave the court one hundred and fourteen pages of closely written material it being the history of her married life and she asked that the judge read it before passing sentence.

CONSTABLE GUARDS TENOR

STAYS ON STAGE WITH ARRESTED SINGER DURING OPERA.

Boston Audience Hisses Officer—Hammerstein Sues Albany for \$1,000 Advance Salary.

Boston, Dec. 27.—An element of comedy was mingled with the grand opera at the production of "Il Trovatore" by the San Carlo Grand Opera company at the Majestic theater Thursday night, caused by the presence of a constable upon the stage to guard Tenor Carlos Albani in the interests of Oscar Hammerstein, of New York.
Early in the day a sheriff served papers on the tenor in a civil process on behalf of Hammerstein, who seeks to recover \$1,000 paid the singer as advance salary when he came to America to sing for Mr. Hammerstein. The latter claims that Albani is under exclusive contract to him.
Just before the second act was to be put on, the constable placed Albani under arrest on a meagre process to secure the amount of his wages for the week, which Hammerstein laid claim to. The officer, after consultation with Manager Russell, consented to allow the singer to complete the program, but insisted that he be allowed to remain on the stage. The constable kept on his overcoat and hat and whenever the singer moved about the stage the officer followed, the audience usually hissing.
After the performance a bondsman was found and Albani was released from custody.

TWO DEATHS.

Manitowoc, Wis., Dec. 27.—Mrs. August Meyer, a resident here since 1850, is dead from cancer. Fred Hinz, a well known blacksmith, who has been here since 1853, died from illness of long standing.

New Orleans Bank May Liquidate.
New Orleans, Dec. 26.—A meeting of the shareholders of the State National bank will be held January 28 to vote on the question of putting the bank in liquidation. William Adler, head of the wholesale grocery firm of A. Adler & Co., of this city, against which bankruptcy proceedings have been instituted, recently resigned as president of the bank.

Ohio Couple Probably Drowned.
Upper Sandusky, O., Dec. 26.—William Tottor and Miss Catherine Teople, of Carey, O., who started Tuesday night for Sycamore, ten miles distant, to attend a skating party, are missing, and it is feared they have been drowned. The buggy in which they had ridden was found in Tymochtee creek, turned over, and the horse drowned.

Marines and Negroes Fight.
Norfolk, Va., Dec. 26.—Riotous scenes were caused Wednesday night in the streets by marines from the navy yard and training stations necessitating the calling out of the entire police reserve. The marines, who were celebrating Christmas in squads of from 15 to 30, had frequent collisions with negroes and rough and tumble fights occurred.

W. J. Bryan on a Duck Hunt.
Galveston, Tex., Dec. 26.—William J. Bryan and son arrived Wednesday to be the guests of Col. W. L. Moody for several days' duck hunting on the preserves of the latter at Lake Surprise. The party, the other members of which are Gov. Campbell and his son, and George A. Garden of Dallas, embarked shortly before noon for the hunt.

Uncle Allen.
"Talking of short measure," said Uncle Allen Sparks, "there are lots of people that never seem to have got their share when the milk of human kindness was handed around."

Cupid and Cupidity.
A Minnesota paper declares that cupidity among the teachers of that state greatly embarrasses public education. It is cupid among the albinos, brown-eyed, pink-cheeked, poorly-toothed, dainty-eared, jasmint-scented school marms of Grand Old Texas that is playing havoc here.—Houston Post.

Defense That Failed.
"I was not," said a lady at a Manchester police court, "using bad language. I was too well dressed and respectable." The bench, which seems not to understand the implied argument of the moral effect of good clothing upon the wearer, imposed a fine.

NOVEL SANTA CLAUS ON A RURAL ROUTE

Rural Mail Carrier Delivers Mail to Elder Garbed as the Old Saint.
[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Waukegan, Wis., Dec. 27.—Henry Taves, rural carrier of Brandon, made a novel delivery of the mail Christmas day. He drove a four-horse team with snow white nets hitched to a light pair of bobs loaded with a large Christmas tree decorated with ribbons, candles, candies and peanuts. His regular substitute was also with him dressed in the conventional Santa Claus dress. At every stop where children lived Santa Claus would make a personal delivery of the mail for the family and the children would receive a small share of the presents and candies from the tree. The feature made a great hit along the route.

USES PLAY ROPE TO END HER OWN LIFE

Wife of Prominent Local Merchant Uses Children's Swing to End Her Life.
[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Lodi, Wis., Dec. 27.—Whirling the rope that the children had used as a swing around her neck and throwing the other end over a rafter in the attic where she fastened it Mrs. Samuel H. Watson, wife of the local attorney of Lodi, and a woman widely known throughout Columbia county, committed suicide by hanging at an early hour this morning. No cause for the act is known.

SON DIES SHORTLY AFTER HIS MOTHER

Husband and Father Learns of Later's Death While Arranging for Wife's Funeral.
[SPECIAL TO THE GAZETTE.]
Green Bay, Wis., Dec. 27.—While ordering a casket in which to bury his wife, John Frish of Two Rivers this morning received the information over the telephone that his son Joseph had just died. He was so stricken that he could not speak for several moments. His wife died last night at nine o'clock and his son died this morning at nine o'clock at St. Vincent's hospital.

HABITUAL DRUNK IS GIVEN HIS LIBERTY

Manitowoc, Wis., Dec. 27.—Because there was no indication that he would change his story and some question but that his statement might be true, John Blazek, who was sent to jail until he was willing to tell who furnished him liquor, was released by the court. Blazek claimed to have secured his liquor outside the city limits and officers were unable to disprove this and decided to release him. Blazek was told that the next time he appeared in court he would be severely punished.

WILLIAM B. MERSHON.
Reforestation as a business venture is actually being tried out along the Au Sable in Michigan. Mr. Mershon, member of the state forestry commission of Michigan, together with others, has purchased 1,000 acres of barren waste and is clearing and planting this land as thoroughly as a farmer would prepare the soil for crops. Next spring they will plant pine, larchwood and other trees. They expect it will require 40 years to realize on their investment. Mr. Mershon is an enthusiastic believer in reforestation of barren wastes and thinks these should be taken up by cities and states. He says in part as follows:
"My hope is that I will live to see



the barren lands of Michigan turned over to the state commission of forestry and that the state will provide \$20,000 annually for the planting of trees and taking care of some of this land that is going to waste and producing no revenue, but is continually producing expense in the way of advertising, tax sales, etc. When we realize that foreign countries are deriving a big revenue from growing trees and municipalities owning a few hundred acres or a few thousand acres of forest and the income of such forest being sufficient so that not one single cent of taxation is required, we wonder why it is that Americans are not smart enough to utilize our own natural resources in this way."
Some idea of the immense value of timber lands is obtained from a few statistics about Oregon. Oregon has at present 300,000,000 feet of standing timber. At the present rate of consumption Oregon's timber supply would last 150 years. At \$12 per thousand feet the state's timber is now worth \$3,600,000,000 or more than the total amount of money in circulation in the United States. Oregon has enough timber to build a solid board fence 50 feet high around the entire United States.
Gives Dinner at Bakery: Twelve employees of the Beninson & Lamb bakery and their wives enjoyed a duck and chicken dinner at the bakery.

the foreman of the bakery was the host of the occasion, and all present had a most enjoyable time. Mr. Wynell also expects to give a dinner on New Year's Eve of like nature.

GOVERNOR IS THEIR HOST

BATTLESHIP CAPTAINS ENTERTAINED AT PORT OF SPAIN.

Luncheon Followed by Visit to Race Course, Where American Horses Carry Off Honors.

Port of Spain, Dec. 27.—The captains of the American battleships and their staffs were entertained at luncheon Thursday by Sir Henry Moore Jackson, the governor of Trinidad, and later were the guests of the governor at the horse races. The weather was ideal and the race course was thronged with officers and men of the fleet, together with a holiday crowd from the city.
The American horses carried off the honors, being the winners in nearly all the races, and the visitors gave themselves over to applauding these victories in an appropriate manner.
Owing to the fact that the ships will have finished coaling by Friday noon, thousands of the blue jackets will be given shore leave. Most of them undoubtedly will find their way to the race track, where the contests have been more than ordinarily exciting.

The tender Yankton, of the auxiliary division, having taken on supplies, will leave for Rio Janeiro in advance of the fleet. The collier Marcellus, which arrived here December 18 from League Island navy yard, starts on her return trip Friday.
Newport, Dec. 27.—The mobilization of the largest fleet of torpedo boats, torpedo boat destroyers and submarine torpedo boats in the history of the American navy will take place in Narragansett bay in the spring and summer of 1908, according to information gained here Thursday. The fleet will be in command of Commander Charles G. Marsh, who will have under his direction about 50 torpedo boats and torpedo boat destroyers, and the first and second flotillas of submarines. The little vessels will go through an elaborate series of drills, both day and night, and it is expected that much valuable data will be obtained.

STATES PETTIBONE'S CASE.

Darrow, Too Ill to Stand, Outlines Theory of Defense.

Boise, Idaho, Dec. 27.—Too ill to stand while speaking to the jury, Clarence Darrow, chief counsel for the defense in the Pettibone trial, sat in his chair Thursday afternoon as he outlined his case. He spoke with effort at times and never raised his voice above a conversational tone.
Darrow's statement made it evident that to a great degree the same line of defense would be followed as in the Haywood trial. He reviewed briefly the early life of Pettibone in Pennsylvania and his coming west and engaging in mining in the Coeur D'Alene, where he became president of the Gem union. In 1892, Darrow said, the defendant left the Coeur D'Alene and never engaged in mining again.
"It was a number of years after he went to Denver," continued Darrow, "that Pettibone heard of the Western Federation of Labor. But one day he learned of a convention that was to be held and he attended it, becoming acquainted with the officers and leading members. He was later made an honorary member of the organization. He never attended a meeting of a local union in his life, never paid any dues, and never had anything to do with forming policies of the organization."

Warship Builder Is Dead.

Boston, Dec. 27.—Harrison Loring, who started one of the first plants in the United States for the building of iron steamships, and who was president of the Iron Transportation company, died at his home in South Boston Thursday, at the age of 85 years. In 1857 he opened a plant for the manufacture of iron steamships, and he had many contracts with the United States government. He built the monitor Canonicus, which was in the bombardment of Fort Fisher in the civil war, and as late as 1890 built the U. S. S. Marblehead, which was with Dewey in Manila bay.

His Ear Filled with Lead.

Middletown, N. Y., Dec. 27.—James R. Conkling, a prominent business man, is in a serious condition as a result of a peculiar and unexplained injury Thursday. Conkling, who has been in ill health, was found unconscious with one ear filled with lead, which apparently had been poured into the organ while in a molten state.

Southern Pacific Snowsheds Burn.

San Francisco, Dec. 27.—A bad fire started in the snowsheds on the Southern Pacific line near Truckee Thursday afternoon. The flames delayed many trains and also cut off all telegraph communication with the east along that line. It was reported Thursday night that the fire had been extinguished.

Col. Alex. Goldsmith Dies.

Milwaukee, Dec. 27.—Col. Alex. Goldsmith died Thursday at the home of Charles Merkel, his son-in-law. Col. Goldsmith was a comrade of W. C. Drake Post G. A. R., and served in the Nineteenth Illinois regiment, United States volunteers, for three years.

Kansas Congressman Very Ill.

Washington, Dec. 27.—Representative William A. Calderhead of Kansas is critically ill with double pneumonia at his apartment in this city. Mr. Calderhead was taken down about three weeks ago with the grip, and pneumonia developed the day before Christmas.

NEWS IN A NUTSHELL.

Hands of Kurdish raiders despoiled the town of Uratiah, Persian Armenia. Cotton manufacturers of New England agreed to reduce their output by 25 per cent.

Fire destroyed a block of factories and stores in San Francisco, the loss being over \$200,000.

Hertram Somers of San Jose, Cal., shot and killed his five-year-old boy, mistaking him for a burglar.

The Dutch cabinet presented its resignation at The Hague and the dissolution of parliament is likely to follow.

Father John of Cronstadt, leader of a peculiar sect of Russians and by many regarded as a saint, is seriously ill in St. Petersburg.

Passenger train on the Lake Shore road bumped into a light freight engine two miles north of Franklin, Pa., and Fireman William J. Daly was killed.

Ernest G. Stedman, vice president and a director of the J. C. Lyons Building and Operating company of New York, against which a petition in bankruptcy was filed, committed suicide by jumping in front of a subway train.

Promoters, mining engineers and other persons convicted of using the mails with intent to defraud in connection with the sale of stock in the Lost Spanish Bullion Mines company were sentenced in Denver to fines and imprisonment.

Thieves stole an automobile in which to take plunder from Whittier, a town near Los Angeles, Cal. Officers got another motor car and followed, opening a fullscale on the fugitives with revolvers. The thieves escaped by leaping from the machine.

TWO MEN FATALLY INJURED.

Explosion in the Kings Powder Mills at Dayton, O.

Dayton, O., Dec. 27.—The third explosion in as many weeks at the Kings powder mills fatally injured two employees Thursday evening. The injured are Alonzo Young and Andrew Sears.
Young was shaking primers when the caps exploded, demolishing the battery shop. His left arm was torn off and Sears, who was working near by, received terrible burns. The loss to the plant is estimated at \$1,000.

Family Wiped Out by Vendetta.

Cleveland, O., Dec. 27.—Radivajo Rakich was fatally shot Thursday near Bedford. He is the last member of a family that was wiped out by a vendetta. The feud began in Lodz, Austria, where the Rakich family was prominent. Young Rakich escaped to this country, but was followed, according to a diary which he kept and which was found in his pocket after the shooting.

WOODROW WILSON.

President Woodrow Wilson



Princeton university has again appear-

ed in the limelight. It will be remembered that President Wilson was hailed as "presidential timber" by ex-President Cleveland only a few years since. Recently he has been revolutionizing the system of instruction in the university of which he is president.
President Wilson is a man of decided ideas, a staunch democrat and a fearless, frank advocate of the truth as he sees it. He is called him radical and theoretical. His friends enlarge him as practical and only radical as being in advance of the times. He is bitter in his denunciation of many of President Roosevelt's ideas and methods.
In a review of national issues recently given he declares that the present money stringency is "a force," merely "a state of mind." That there is no real foundation for this crisis.
"I charge," said President Wilson, "the financial panic to the aggressive attitude of legislation toward the railroads that made it impossible for them to borrow money." But he clearly expresses himself on certain corporations as follows: "The corporation problem resembles a society of burglars legally organized to plunder, against whom criminal proceedings result only in an indictment or fine which the plundered themselves must pay."
He said further: "Our currency system is almost the poorest in the world."
"Political opinions must be stripped of their political intentions to meet the present demands of the public."
"Corporations should be compelled to file a copy of the minutes of their directors' meetings."
"If corporation lawyers would only explain the transaction of their clients the public would not have so dangerous an opinion of corporations."

Was Beyond Him.
"My dear, I couldn't match that dress goods." "You couldn't?" "No; and after what the various clerks said to me, I can't see why a person in tolerable circumstances should want to match it."—Louisville Courier-Journal.

New York City's Railways.
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